**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**Docket No.
KYA-0010Application No.
09/556,392Filing Date
April 24, 2000Examiner
Z. SmithArt Unit
2877

Applicant(s): Yuichi NODA, et al.

Invention: SHEET MATERIAL FOREIGN MATTER DETECTING METHOD AND APPARATUS

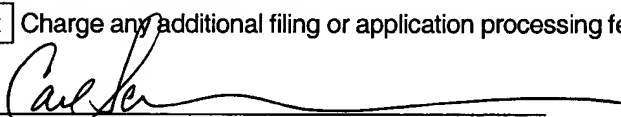
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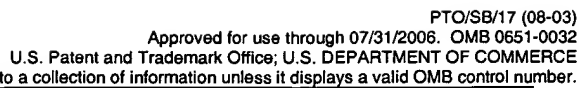
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
Total Claims	5	- 20 =		x	0.00
Independent Claims	5	- 3 =	2	x 84.00	168.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					
Other fee (please specify):					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					168.00

☒ Large Entity☐ Small Entity☐ No additional fee is required for this amendment.☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 18-0013 in the amount of \$ 168.00
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.☐ A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 18-0013
as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.☒ Credit any overpayment.☒ Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

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FEE CALCULATION

	Large Entity	Small Entity
1. Revenue Recognition	Revenue is recognized when the performance obligation is satisfied, which is when control of the goods or services is transferred to the customer.	Revenue is recognized when the performance obligation is satisfied, which is when control of the goods or services is transferred to the customer.
2. Expense Recognition	Expenses are recognized when the related asset is consumed or the liability is incurred.	Expenses are recognized when the related asset is consumed or the liability is incurred.
3. Asset Recognition	Assets are recognized when they are probable to generate future economic benefits and their cost can be reliably measured.	Assets are recognized when they are probable to generate future economic benefits and their cost can be reliably measured.
4. Liability Recognition	Liabilities are recognized when they are probable to result in an outflow of resources and their amount can be reliably measured.	Liabilities are recognized when they are probable to result in an outflow of resources and their amount can be reliably measured.
5. Equity Recognition	Equity is recognized as the residual interest in the entity after deducting all liabilities from assets.	Equity is recognized as the residual interest in the entity after deducting all liabilities from assets.

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee	
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1)	(\$)	0.00
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			Extra Claims		Fee from below		Fee Paid
Total Claims	5	-20** =		x		=	0.00
Independent Claims	5	-3** =	2	x	84.00	=	168.00
Multiple Dependent						=	

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2)	(\$)	168.00
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**** or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above**

	Large Entity	Small Entity
1. Revenue Recognition	Revenue is recognized when the performance obligation is satisfied, which is when control of the goods or services is transferred to the customer.	Revenue is recognized when the performance obligation is satisfied, which is when control of the goods or services is transferred to the customer.
2. Leases	Leases are classified as either finance leases or operating leases. Finance leases are capitalized on the balance sheet, while operating leases are expensed as incurred.	Leases are classified as either finance leases or operating leases. Finance leases are capitalized on the balance sheet, while operating leases are expensed as incurred.
3. Goodwill	Goodwill is an intangible asset that arises from the acquisition of a business. It is measured as the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the identifiable intangible assets.	Goodwill is an intangible asset that arises from the acquisition of a business. It is measured as the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the identifiable intangible assets.
4. Research and Development	Research and development costs are expensed as incurred.	Research and development costs are expensed as incurred.
5. Employee Compensation	Employee compensation is expensed as incurred.	Employee compensation is expensed as incurred.
6. Income Taxes	Income taxes are expensed as incurred.	Income taxes are expensed as incurred.
7. Financial Instruments	Financial instruments are classified as either debt or equity. Debt is measured at amortized cost, while equity is measured at fair value.	Financial instruments are classified as either debt or equity. Debt is measured at amortized cost, while equity is measured at fair value.
8. Derivatives	Derivatives are classified as either cash flow hedges or fair value hedges. Cash flow hedges are measured at fair value, while fair value hedges are measured at fair value.	Derivatives are classified as either cash flow hedges or fair value hedges. Cash flow hedges are measured at fair value, while fair value hedges are measured at fair value.
9. Other	Other items include non-current assets, non-current liabilities, and other items.	Other items include non-current assets, non-current liabilities, and other items.

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge – late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge – late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	470	2502	235	Design issue fee	
1503	630	2503	315	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	750	2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1, 3 and 5-7 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 2 and 4 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, claims 1, 3, 5 and 6 are amended and claim 7 is added.

Applicant expresses his appreciation for the Examiner's indication allowable subject matter in claims 5 and 6. Claims 5 and 6 are amended in independent form and are therefore allowable over the applied art.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)

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